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ARTICLE I

Members

Section 1. Academy Membership Eligibility

Members of the Academy shall be prominent and well published scientists in the field of public health, including but not limited to epidemiology, environmental health, occupational health, behavioral health, pharmacoepidemiology, community health, global health, disease surveillance, biostatistics, medical informatics, health services, health policy, health economics, medical ethics and public health education.

Section 2. Membership Privileges

In the Journal of the Academy of Public Health, members of the Academy may publish any public health related scientific article on which they are co-author, and as specified in the Author Guidelines of the Journal.

Section 3. Induction of Members by Journal Editorial Board

Any member of the Journal Editorial Board may invite prominent public health scientists as new members of the Academy by sending a written invitation to join the Academy. Nominations may be submitted without prior consultation with the nominated public health scientist, and acceptance by the invitee will result in immediate induction into the Academy.

In extending invitations, the Editorial Board shall strive to include scientists from a variety of different specialty areas within public health, including work on different diseases, public health interventions, geographical areas and population groups.

Section 4. Membership Nomination by Academy Members

Academy members may nominate prominent public health scientists to be new members. Nominations should be sent to the Academy Board.

The Academy Board will be responsible for ensuring the rigorous and careful review of all membership nominations and for the final approval or rejection of nominations. The Board may either review the nominations themselves or delegate the review by appointing a Membership Review Committee consisting of at least three Academy members.

The only criteria for membership shall be the quality and extent of their already published public health work. There shall be no discrimination based on gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation, religion, disability, ethnicity, skin color, nationality, place of residence or academic affiliation.

Section 5. Fees, Dues, and Assessments

There shall be no fees, dues, or assessments.

Section 5. Termination of Membership

The Board of Directors may terminate the membership of any member of the Academy if either:

(i) The member has not made any contributions to the Academy or its journal during the past five years, by not submitting articles to the journal, reviewing submissions for the journal or nominating new members to the Academy.

(ii) At least two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors find that the conduct of the member in question has violated the Bylaws or other lawful rules or regulations or has been otherwise prejudicial to the best interests of the values outlined in the Constitution.

ARTICLE II

Officers

Section 1. Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of two members of the Academy and one independent Board member. Their term of service shall be three years.

Section 2. Founding Directors

At its founding, the three-member Board shall consist of its three founding directors:

- Sander Greenland – Academy Member
- George F Tidmarsh – Academy Member
- David DesRosiers – Independent Board member

Section 3. Election of the Board of Directors

Every three years, in November of years divisible by three, members of the Academy shall elect the Board of Directors for the next three-year term that starts on the subsequent January 1.

Any member of the Academy may suggest a candidate for the Board of Directors by submitting a nomination to the current Board of Directors before October 1 of the election year.

The ballot for the Board shall include any existing member of the Board who is willing to serve another term, together with up to five additional candidates who have agreed to serve. The five additional candidates shall be those that received the most nominations. In case of a tie, the outgoing Board of Directors will choose which one(s) of the tied candidates should be on the ballot.

Elections shall be conducted electronically. Each member may vote for at most two candidates on their ballot. The three candidates with the most votes are elected to the Board. If there is a tie, a second round of voting will include a choice between the 2 candidates.

Section 4. Vacancies on the Board of Directors

If a member of the Board of Directors resigns, has his or her membership terminated, or dies, then the interim vacancy of the Board will be filled by appointment by the remaining Board members, to serve until the end of the regular term.

Section 5. Duties and Responsibilities of Board of Directors

The Board of Directors:

a) Shall appoint one of the Academy members as the editor-in-chief of the *Journal of the Academy of Public Health*, for a three-year term that is renewable at most once.
b) May appoint one or two Academy members as assistant editors of the Journal of the Academy of Public Health, for three-year terms.
c) Shall review nominations for Academy membership, and either accept or reject the nomination.
d) May set an upper limit on the number of members of the Academy.
e) Shall ensure that new elections to the Board of Directors are held at the designated time every three years.

Section 6. Meetings of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall meet at least twice every calendar year. Board meetings shall be scheduled by the oldest member of the Board at least one month in advance after consultation and notification to all Board members. A valid board meeting must be attended by all three Board members, except for the purpose of filling a vacancy on the Board.

Section 6. Editors-in-Chief

The editors-in-chief of the Journal of the Academy of Public Health

a) Shall work with the Journal's Managing Editor, selected by the Real Clear Foundation, to ensure the smooth operation of the Journal.
b) Shall nominate potential members of the Editorial Board to be approved by the Board of Directors
c) Shall select scientists to review manuscripts submitted to the journal or delegate some this work to an assistant editor if the Board of Directors has appointed such.
d) May not reject manuscripts submitted to the journal by a member of the Academy, unless it is defamatory or slanderous or if it is not on a public health topic.

ARTICLE III

Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Academy, including publications, shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE IV

Amendments

The Academy Constitution and Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 majority of voting Academy

members in any manner consistent with the law.

ARTICLE V

Indemnification

The Academy shall indemnify all officers and directors of the Academy for matters arising only out of their service in this capacity and only to the fullest extent permitted by law.